

# 02/12/22

# NANPEAN SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER



### ATTENDANCE

*Eden - 83.68%*

*Hendra - 96.25%*

*Prosper - 94.35%*

*Karslake - 83.64%*

*Melbur - 95.56%*

*Drinnick - 93.33%*

*Rosemellyn - 89%*

### DATES FOR THE

### DIARY

- Wednesday 7th December - School Christmas Lunch.
- Thursday 8th December - KS1 Nativity Play - showings at 2pm and 5:30pm - more details and letters to follow.
- Monday 12th December - Year 6 Fundraiser Christmas Bingo - 5:30-8pm
- Tuesday 13th December - Whole School Cinema Trip (further details elsewhere on this Newsletter).
- Wednesday 14th December - Christmas Fair - 1:30-3pm.
- Friday 16th December - LAST DAY OF TERM!

### HEAD TEACHER WEEKLY UPDATE

It has been assessment week at school this week, and I always feel compelled to write about this and explain its purpose via the newsletter when it takes place each term. Although I don't agree with certain assessments of children, the expectation placed on schools is that schools are tracking children's attainment and progress, and therefore are aware of knowledge and skills that children have learnt and remember, and what they perhaps aren't as confident with that will need to be covered again.

I always feel for the children completing assessments in this week, as it is slightly different to their usual week at school. Therefore, we try to complete assessments by the Thursday, which leaves the Friday as an enjoyable end to the week. This term, and as I write I am looking forward to this taking place tomorrow, we always use the Friday at the end of Assessment week for Christmas Craft activities, which includes decorating classrooms and areas of the school. During the afternoon, each class has a focus on Aspirations, with them learning about a career pathway (job role) related to their learning across the curriculum this term. I intend to give further information about this in next week's newsletter and thank you to Mrs Houston and Miss Tucker who have worked extremely hard to make contacts and arrange visitors to speak to each class and make this experience exciting for the children.

This week, I also enjoyed meeting parents at the parents forum meeting on Wednesday afternoon. During this meeting, we discussed many strengths and areas for development in relation to Nanpean School.

Finally, as you will be aware from elsewhere on the Newsletter, as we move into December there are many exciting events and opportunities taking place over the next couple of weeks. I look forward to being involved in these with the children and I hope that families enjoy hearing about these experiences from their child(ren). I also hope that families are enjoying the lead up to Christmas and I send festive wishes to you all. Have a lovely weekend,

Mr M Nicholls (Headteacher).

## ★ STARS OF THE WEEK ★

Each week, Nanpean School staff choose one pupil from their class who has shone to be their class star.

This week our stars are:

**Eden - Lara** - for working hard in phonics and for always being ready to participate in activities.

**Hendra - Harrison** - for always enthusiastically joining in with his learning.

**Prosper - Kensa** - for being very organised and ready during our Christmas play rehearsals.

**Karslake - Skye** - for her excellent determination during assessment week.

**Melbur - Dylan** - for showing excellent focus and maturity during assessment week.

**Drinnick - Leo** - for using comprehension strategies across all his learning.

**Rosemellyn - Ivy** - for writing an excellent Christmas jingle in music.

## 🏆 CITIZENSHIP AWARD 🏆

Each week we present a child with a Citizenship Award. This is to recognise and reward a child who has been notably kind, helpful or well behaved during the week.

This week our Citizenship Award goes to:

**Molly and Jessie (Rosemellyn)** - for supporting KS1 with the nativity choreography.



## BUSY BEES

Busy Bees are awards given out to children to acknowledge that an aspect of their learning or behaviour is exceptional.

**Bethany (Prosper)** – for super writing and presentation.

## ★ SPORTS STAR AWARD ★

This Weeks Sports Star Award goes to:

**Riley (Drinnick)** - for being an excellent support to his peers during Cricket.

## HOUSEPOINTS

Class	Godrevey (Green)	Lizard (Yellow)	Pendeen (Blue)	Trevose (Red)	Wolf Rock (Purple)
Eden	51	36	42	37	32
Hendra	15	16	18	16	15
Prosper	12	11	12	10	10
Karslake	40	24	28	33	26
Melbur	24	29	20	18	21
Drinnick	33	47	41	40	42
Rosemellyn	10	16	13	11	11
<b>Whole School</b>	<b>185</b>	<b>179</b>	<b>174</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>157</b>
<b>Term Total</b>	<b>1,940</b>	<b>2,097</b>	<b>1,926</b>	<b>2,110</b>	<b>1,877</b>

This week, Trevose (Red) are in the lead with 2110 points, followed by Lizard (Yellow) with 2097 points in second and Godrevey (Green) in third with 1940 points.

## CHRISTMAS BINGO /

### RAFFLE

As the festive season draws ever closer, we are STILL on the hunt for some donations of gifts / prizes for our Christmas Bingo (which will take place on Monday 12th December at 5:30pm) and our Grand Christmas Raffle, which will be drawn at the Christmas Fair on Wednesday 14th December. If you feel you would be able to donate a prize for either of these events, please contact Miss Tucker or Mrs Houston in the School Office. Thank you for your continued support.

### CLUBS

A reminder, as per the letter sent out about clubs at the beginning of the Autumn Term, there will be NO clubs in the final week of term. Therefore, clubs finish for this term at the end of next week (Friday 9th December, 2022).

## PARENT GOVERNOR

We currently have a vacancy for one parent governor and are seeking nominations for an enthusiastic and committed parent or carer to join the governing board.

Parent governors are welcomed as valued members of the team and play a vital role in ensuring the governing board is aware of the views of parents and the local community.

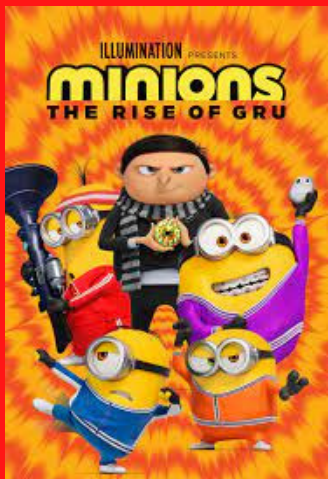
If you feel this is something you are able to commit to (around an hour each month), please visit the office to ask Miss Tucker or Mrs Houston for a nomination form.

## CINEMA TRIP

This year, we will be taking the whole school (children and staff) to the cinema on the morning of Tuesday 13th December, as a Christmas treat. We have now received enough donations of £3 per child towards the cost of the coach, to enable the trip to go ahead. Thank you to those who made payments, your support is truly appreciated.

The children will leave school at 9:15am on the day of the trip. Children are welcome to bring a SMALL treat (such as a small chocolate bar or packet of crisps) as an additional 'Treat Tuck' to have at the cinema.

We will arrive back to school at 12:15pm, so will therefore have lunch at the slightly later time of 12:30pm on that day.



## NATIVITY PLAY

This year, KS1 will be performing 'A Wiggly Nativity' as their Christmas performance. There will be 2 performances taking place:

- Thursday 8th December at 2pm
- Thursday 8th December 5:30pm

Letters were sent home last week with further information and forms to book your tickets, PLEASE DON'T FORGET TO RETURN THESE to the office to ensure you get your seats.

The children have been working very hard on the performance and we look forward to seeing you there!!

## WEEKLY HOME DEBATE

Please find (below) the link for this week's Smart School Council Community home debate, which I hope you enjoy discussing and I look forward to hearing your views. This week, it asks if every child should have to attend an after-school club:

<https://bigdebateclub.com/debate/should-every-pupil-have-to-attend-an-after-school-club/>

Last week, the debate asked if giving bullies detention would stop bullying. Sadly, those children who spoke to me said that it probably wouldn't, even though it would highlight to the bully that what they are doing isn't nice. However, children did also say that any occurrences that could be classed as bullying are extremely rare at Nanpean School, and that adults always deal with any issues and resolve them quickly.

## BONNIE

Even though we are in the Christmas season, it is tinged with sadness because as of 15:10 today, Bonnie (our school dog) will be retired. This news comes because Bonnie's owners, Julie and Darren, will soon be retiring. By the time you read this, Bonnie will probably already have retired. So, as a tribute to this loving, kind and amazing dog, our current Rosemellyn, Year 6 class would like to share some of their best and happiest memories of Bonnie. So, without further ado, I give you, The Memories of Bonnie:

Prefects have been able to walk Bonnie. It was so fun and enjoyable. When we went to Delaware, it was hilarious when she was running around everywhere.

It was fun having her here, especially at funny moments, like when she played dead or barked. It's funny when she bottom-scratched!

We will always remember the great memories we've had with you, thank you and good-bye Bonnie!

As written by Dylan  
(Rosemellyn class).

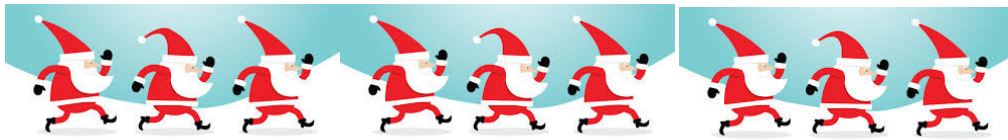


## NEW PREFECTS

A huge congratulations to our new prefects who have joined the band of existing prefects this week. New and existing prefects are all doing a fantastic job in supporting children and staff across the whole school.







## SPONSORED SANTA FUN RUN

The entire school got off to a fantastic start on Thursday, all putting in an amazing effort to rack up the kilometres to Lapland!



## NEW CHAIR OF GOVERNORS

You may have noticed in last week's newsletter that there was a school governors meeting on Tuesday 22nd, among the business of the meeting was the annual election of the chair of the board.

This coming year this is me, Mark Tucker.

So who am I? Well I'm a 67 years young retired manager of disabled children's services. I grew up in Crinnis going to the old Charlestown Primary School and Penrice Secondary Modern School and have lived in Whitemoor for the past 35 years. I married and moved away from Cornwall for about 10 years after securing my professional qualifications at Plymouth Polytechnic. On returning to Cornwall I worked for Cornwall Council and NCH Action for Children. Now retired, alongside school governing and supporting my family I also teach advanced motorcycling with the Institute of Advanced Motorists and am secretary to the local group.

I have 2 daughters and 3 grandsons, 2 of whom currently attend Nanpean School and this is how I come to have joined the Governing body just 12 months ago.

The coming year will be quite challenging as we move into the MAT with Truro and Penwith Academy Trust (TPAT) but having realised the necessity of this change it's a challenge that I and my fellow governors are excited to meet. I am keen to be a visible support to the school; children, staff and parents and look forward to meeting you all soon.

# CHRISTMAS

# Cricket Camps



## Soft Ball

MONDAY 19TH DEC, TUESDAY 20TH DEC  
10-3PM

SCHOOL YEARS 1-4  
£15 PER CHILD



## Hard Ball

WEDNESDAY 21ST DEC, THURSDAY 22ND DEC  
10-3PM

SCHOOL YEARS 5-8  
£20 PER CHILD

LOCATION - CORNWALL CRICKET CENTRE

TO BOOK YOUR SPOT

<https://cornwallcricket.co.uk/junior-cricket/holiday-camps.html>

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